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EDITORIAL

To some, both here and on the outside, our observance of America's Independence Day in this Center will undoubtedly seem to partake of the nature of a paradox. The surface irony of our situation is apparent enough. But to let the mind dwell on this single facet of the matter would not only be fruitless; it would be prejudicial to all our hopes of returning eventually to the main stream of American life as useful citizens.

The ideals which germinated in the birth of this nation as a free people are as valid today as they ever were. They still form the one bastion of man's hope for a better world, unburdened of the weight of fascist tyranny. If we allow the apparent anomaly of our particular circumstances to tarnish our faith in the tenets of the democratic creed, we are divorcing ourselves from the current of humanity's highest aspirations.

In our observance of July Fourth, then, let us not speculate idly and fruitlessly on the special constraints and hardships--and, in many cases, the seeming injustices--which the fortunes of the present war have laid on us. Rather, let us turn our thoughts to the future, both of this country and of our place in it. It is our task to grow to a fuller faith in what democracy can and will mean to all men. To stop growing in this faith would be to abandon our most cogent claim to the right of sharing in the final fruits of a truly emancipated world.

CENTER RESIDENTS TO HOLD FOURTH OF JULY PROGRAM

Sharing in the special cognizance that an America at war will take of the meaning of Independence Day, the residents of Tanforan will participate in a Center-wide July Fourth ceremony to be held this morning at 9 AM in the grandstand.

With resident veterans of the first World War and members of the Townsend Harris Post of American Legion (Department of California) serving as ushers, the program will feature speakers representing the community and special patriotic music by the local Boy Scout drum and bugle corps.

The program as arranged by John Yoshino, public relations, is as follows:

I. "The 30th Infantry," drum and bugle corps.

II. Flag raising: "To the Colors," drum and bugle corps.

III. Pledge of Allegiance, John Takeuchi.

IV. Reading of the Declaration of Independence, Hiro Katayama.

V. The National Anthem, drum and bugle corps.

VI. Invocation, the Rev. Joseph Tsukamoto.

VII. Greetings, Councilman Albert Kosakura.

VIII. "Young American," Ben Iijima.

IX. "American Patrol," drum and bugle corps.

X. Historical sketch, "Over Here, Over There," Tanforan High School.

CONSTITUTION DRAFTED

The Council story of the week, the week of July 4th, was the story of Tanforan's Constitution--formulated by the Constitutional committee on Monday, drafted by a sub-committee on Tuesday, revised and ratified by the Committee on Wednesday, rewritten (as revised and ratified) by a sub-commit-

tee on Thursday and presented to Center Manager Frank E. Davis for his and the Army's approval.

As given to Davis, the Constitution provided for an assembly (to be composed of members elected from each precinct on the basis of one assemblyman for each 200 residents)

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The REVIEWING STAND

SELECTIVE SERVICE

Two hundred and seventy-one Center youths, 18 to 20 years old, registered with the Selective Service Tuesday and Wednesday in the Employment office.

They constituted part of the three million Americans in this age group who this week signed up at their local draft boards throughout the nation.

G. O. Smallcomb, official of Burlingame Draft Board 104, who conducted the Center registration, advised those who failed to sign up to contact William Gunder of the Personnel department.

"Aliens in this age group must also register," Smallcomb pointed out.

One of the first to register was Roy Haruo, 20, from San Leandro.

"I already have a brother in the Army and would be more than glad to join up if I were called. I feel that it is my duty to serve and do my part," he stated.

Smallcomb reported that a national policy on nisei registrants would be announced by the National Selective Service board in the near future.

HOUSE MANAGERS



The period from June 25 to June 30 was, as usual, a busy one for the house managers.

Among other things, they saw to the distribution of 710 new ticks for (Over)